

**New Jersey State Board of Education  
Minutes of the Public Work Session  
in the Conference Room on the First Floor,  
100 River View Executive Plaza  
Trenton, NJ**

**June 16, 2004**

**Presiding:** Arnold G. Hyndman, Ph.D., President

**Secretary:** William L. Librera, Ed.D., Commissioner

**PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:**

Margaret F. Bartlett  
Debra Casha  
Maud Dahme  
Anne S. Dillman  
John A. Griffith  
Samuel J. Podietz  
Edward M. Taylor  
Roberta Van Anda

**ABSENT:**

Ronald K. Butcher  
Kathleen A. Dietz  
Orlando Edreira  
Thelma Napoleon-Smith

**CONVENING**

Arnold G. Hyndman, president, State Board of Education, convened the public meeting with the reading of the resolution pertaining to the public session of the State Board meeting as it complies with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon, and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of this act, the State Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Department of Education, Secretary of State's Office and notice also having been given to the State House press corps, the Governor's Office and the State Board agenda subscribers, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that by adopting this resolution the State Board of Education states its intention to convene a public meeting to conduct the state's business on Wednesday, June 16, 2004.

## **ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION:**

On motions duly seconded and carried, the State Board of Education took the following action:

### **A. Request for Emergency Aid**

Adopted the resolution approving emergency aid for Demarest School District, Bergen County, in accordance with *NJSA* 18A:58-11.

### **RESOLUTION FOR EMERGENCY AID** **DEMAREST, BERGEN COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 18A:58-11 permits district boards of education to receive emergency aid to meet unforeseeable conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Demarest Board of Education has unforeseeable costs resulting from an emergency mold abatement crisis at the beginning of the 2003-04 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Demarest Board of Education will not be able to absorb these additional expenditures without adversely affecting its core programs and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Demarest Board of Education requires emergency aid to address this unforeseeable condition; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the State Board of Education approves \$25,000 of emergency aid payable to the Demarest Board of Education.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **B. Update on Student Discipline Issues**

The State Board members and department staff present discussed the outstanding policy issues related to the development of amendments to the Student Discipline regulations.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion duly seconded and carried, the State Board adjourned its June 16, 2004 public work session at 2:00 p.m.

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William L. Librera, Ed.D., Commissioner  
Secretary, NJ State Board of Education